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Sir Lord Garrison.

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I take my pen in hand to inform you of the orthantistry of my faith concerning slavery and its end at the time of the passage of the slave bill I was in great trouble knowing not what time I should be arrested by the slave hunters I knew no other refuge to fly to but to the great head of the church to which Israel fled in times of old and found deliverance at his hand and for this cause I made my petition to him to know why this curse had come upon me and my people he was pleased while I was praying to show me the cause which will be found in the fifteenth sixteenth and seventeenth chapters of Jeremiah the prophet then I came before the church to which I belonged to make this known as the Lord had commanded me and when coming before them they mocked me and would not believe even as they did before the bill passed speaking of its coming they thought it a thing incredible that God would make known his judgments to come upon a sinful people which have publicly and secretly backslid from the ways of holiness and lost the favor of Heaven and I think our present offerings is enough to cause the hearts of the friends of bleeding humanity to overflow with tears and prayers which is the only means by which we can cause God to deliver us out of the

hands of our enemies I hope you will be kind enough
to publish this in your paper until our people listen
to the call of the holy scriptures for many of us do not
believe them if they did they would surely claim its
promises these are not whims in the brain but the
revealed word of God - therefore I hope that there will be
a general stir in the minds of the People through your
efforts of moral suasion and Preaching of the gospel as
you are our pioneer in Antislavery efforts.
no more at present remain your humble servant

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